

**Time Line for the Statutory Initiative Relating to  
the Prevention of Animal Cruelty  
(as of March 27, 2012)**

Submitted to the Secretary of State for review and approval for circulation	<b>March 07, 2012</b>
Earliest date the law allows Secretary of State to approve the petition title	<b>March 14, 2012</b>
Latest date by which the Secretary of State must provide the petition title	<b>March 16, 2012</b>
Date that Secretary of State supplied Sponsoring Committee with petition title for petition along with a listing of corrections for the petition's format	<b>March 16, 2012</b>
Date that Sponsoring Committee returned petition to Secretary of State for review	<b>March 27, 2012</b>
Date that Secretary of State approved petition for circulation	<b>March 27, 2012</b>
Deadline for submitting petition signatures to the Secretary of State (90 days before the election at which the measure is to appear on the ballot <u>or</u> one year from the date the petition is approved for circulation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>2012 General Election – Prior to midnight on Wednesday, August 8, 2012</b></li> <li>• <b>One year from date petition was approved for circulation – Wednesday, March 27, 2013</b></li> </ul>
Number of signatures needed to place measure on ballot.	<b>13,452</b>
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